

Individual event probabilities

For 203 data set $N_{\text{bkg}} = .35$ ie. It's calculated that $\sim .35$ background events will pass our tau selection cuts

Results of ν_τ selection can be sated in two ways:

1. A signal of 4 events with an expected background of .35 events

The Poisson probability of all signal events being background

$$f(N : \mathbf{m}) = \frac{\mathbf{m}^N \cdot e^{-\mathbf{m}}}{N!} = \frac{.35^4 \cdot e^{-.35}}{4!} = 4.4 \times 10^{-4}$$

2. Using individual analysis, probabilities for each individual selected event are given

The probability that event is a ν_τ and is not one of the background processes which make up N_{bkg} can be quantified : $P(\text{event}|\nu_\tau)$

Since all events are independent, the probability that all events are background is

$$P_{\text{all_bkg}} = \prod_i (1 - P(i | \mathbf{n}_t)) = 7 \times 10^{-5}$$

- Probability analysis can be used as selection criteria \rightarrow clean signal

Individual event probabilities: Bayesian

$$P(\text{hypothesis}_\alpha | \vec{e}) = \frac{A_\alpha \cdot \text{PDF}(\vec{e} | \text{hypothesis}_\alpha)}{\sum_i A_i \cdot \text{PDF}(\vec{e} | \text{hypothesis}_i)}$$

P = The probability of an event e being a result of hypothesis α .

$\alpha = \text{tau}, \text{interaction} \text{ or } \text{charm} \text{ event}$

Two inputs for each hypothesis:

1. A_i prior probability:

Previous knowledge of the likelihood of each hypothesis

“Relative Normalization”

2. **PDF** ($\text{hypothesis}_\alpha | x$) probability density at x under hypothesis

Definition: $\text{PDF}(x) \Delta x = \text{Probability of finding } x \text{ in } (x, x+\Delta x)$

“Distribution of parameters which define event”

1-D example: V_τ vs interaction

Assume the only possibilities are V_τ or hadron interaction.

Use only one parameter Φ to evaluate event.

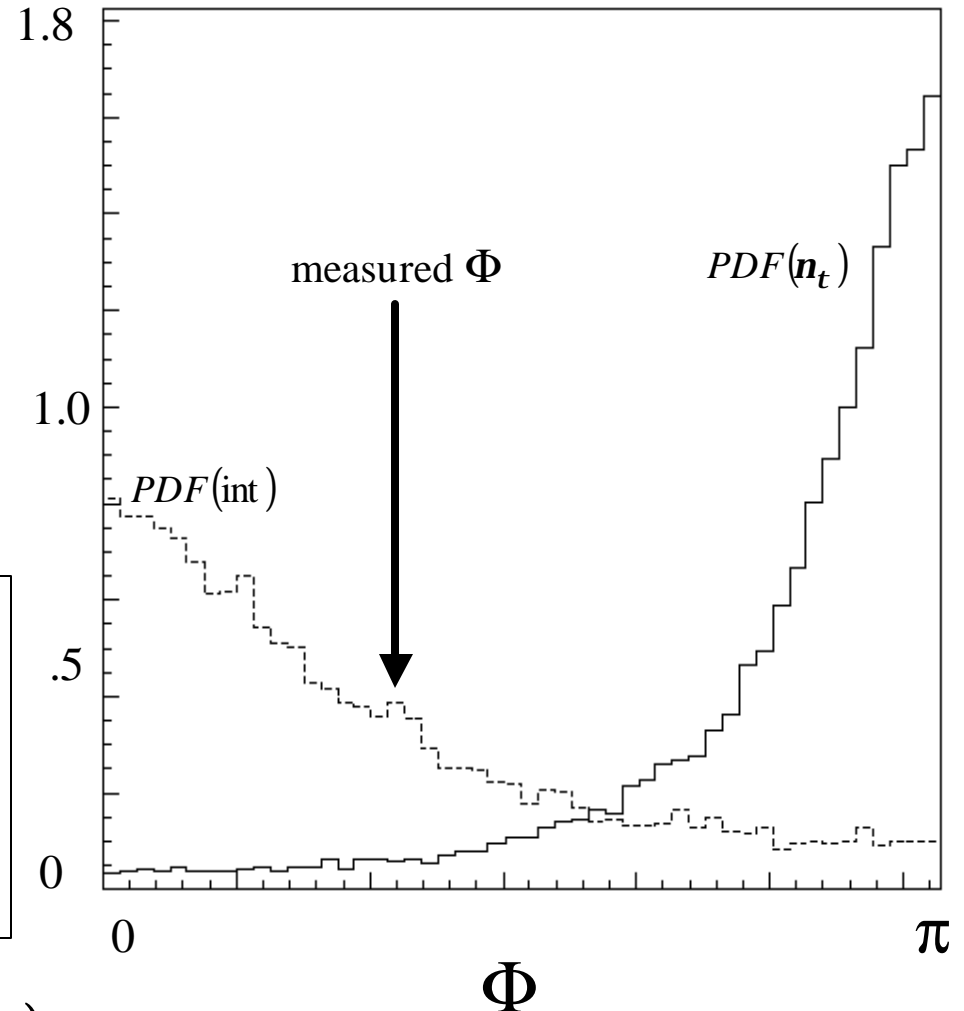
3024_30175 has $\Phi = 1.04$

$$P(\mathbf{n}_t | \Phi) \equiv \frac{A_n \cdot PDF(\Phi | \mathbf{n}_t)}{A_n \cdot PDF(\Phi | \mathbf{n}_t) + A_{\text{int}} \cdot PDF(\Phi | \mathbf{n}_t)}$$

Expect .16 interaction evts.	A_{int}	.16
Expect 4.2 V_τ events	A_{V_τ}	4.2

PDF(int. | $\Phi = 1.04$) = .38

PDF(V_τ | $\Phi = 1.04$) = .06



$$P(\mathbf{n}_t | \Phi = 1.1) = \frac{(4.2) \cdot (.06)}{(4.2) \cdot (.06) + (.16) \cdot (.38)} = .78$$

Prior Probabilities

- Prior probability of a hypothesis is proportional to the total number of this event type expected to pass the selection cuts. ie. N_{tau} , N_{charm} or $N_{\text{interaction}}$

Focus of this presentation is on

1. Expected number of ν_τ interactions
 2. Expected number interactions
- N_{tau} expected has large uncertainty due to uncertain values of :

total $\sigma(D_s)$: 30%

parameterization of D_s production : uncertainty in differential cross-section results in uncertainty in interaction rate of $\sim 20\%$

efficiency of selection, location of tau events

- $N_{\text{interaction}}$ background has uncertainty due to:
 λ_{steel} , λ_{emulsio} and λ_{plastic} for kink type hadron interactions

N_{τ} from ratio of rates v_{τ}/v_e or v_{τ}/v_{μ} from charm

$$N_{\tau} = N_{n_m} \cdot \frac{Rate_{n_t}}{Rate_{n_m}} \cdot \frac{E_{n_t}}{E_{n_m}} \quad N_{\tau} = N_{n_e} \cdot \frac{Rate_{n_t}}{Rate_{n_e}} \cdot \frac{E_{n_t}}{E_{n_e}}$$

To reduce or eliminate uncertainties contributing to N_{τ} we can express expectation in terms of n_{μ} or n_e from similar sources (prompt)

- + Uncertainty in relative rate and relative efficiency are much smaller
- + Uses measured values of v_{μ} or v_e : less reliance on Monte Carlo
- Uses measured values of v_{μ} or v_e : uncertainty of measured number

Ratio of interaction rates

$$R_{n_t} = \frac{\mathbf{s}(D^0)}{\mathbf{s}(pW)} \cdot \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{s}(D_s)}{\mathbf{s}(D^0)} \right\rangle \cdot Br(D_s \rightarrow \mathbf{n}_t) \cdot 2 \cdot \int \mathbf{h}(E) \mathbf{s}(E) \frac{dN}{dE} dE$$

$$R_{n_a} = \sum_i \frac{\mathbf{s}(pW \rightarrow Charm_i)}{\mathbf{s}(pW)} \cdot Br(Charm \rightarrow \mathbf{n}_a) \cdot \int \mathbf{h}(E) \mathbf{s}(E) \frac{dN}{dE} dE_a$$

$\eta(E)$ is target acceptance fraction, $\sigma(E)$ is neutrino cross-section

dN/dE is spectrum: neutrino energy depends on charm production distribution

$$\frac{d^2 \mathbf{s}}{dx_f dpt^2} \propto (1 - xf)^n \cdot e^{-bpt^2}$$

$$\frac{R_{n_t}}{R_{n_a}} = \frac{\left\langle \frac{\mathbf{s}(D_s)}{\mathbf{s}(D^0)} \right\rangle \cdot Br(D_s \rightarrow \mathbf{n}_t) \cdot \int \mathbf{h}(E) \mathbf{s}(E) \frac{dN}{dE} dE}{\sum_i \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{s}(C_i)}{\mathbf{s}(D^0)} \right\rangle \cdot Br(C_i \rightarrow \mathbf{n}_a) \cdot \int \mathbf{h}(E) \mathbf{s}(E) \frac{dN}{dE} dE_a}$$

Cross-section ratio

Experiment		D_s/D^0	D^+/D^0
CLEO	e+e-	$.32 \pm .14$	$.38 \pm .10$
NA32	Pion	$.24 \pm .10$	$.51 \pm .15$
WA92	Pion	$.16 \pm .05$	$.42 \pm .05$
E653	Pion	-	$.4 \pm .1$
E653	Proton	-	$.8 \pm .4$
E691	Gamma	$.14 \pm .04$	$.51 \pm .11$
E769	Pion+	$.28 \pm .07$	$.44 \pm .06$
E769	Proton	$.27 \pm .18$	$.42 \pm .05$
E769	Pion-	-	$.27 \pm .06$
E791	Proton	-	$.57 \pm .22$
Mean		$.18 \pm .03$	$.41 \pm .02$

Charm production parameters

Experiment	b	n
E653	$.84 \pm .09$	6.9 ± 1.9
E743	$.80 \pm .2$	8.6 ± 2.0
Mean	$.83 \pm .11$	7.7 ± 1.4

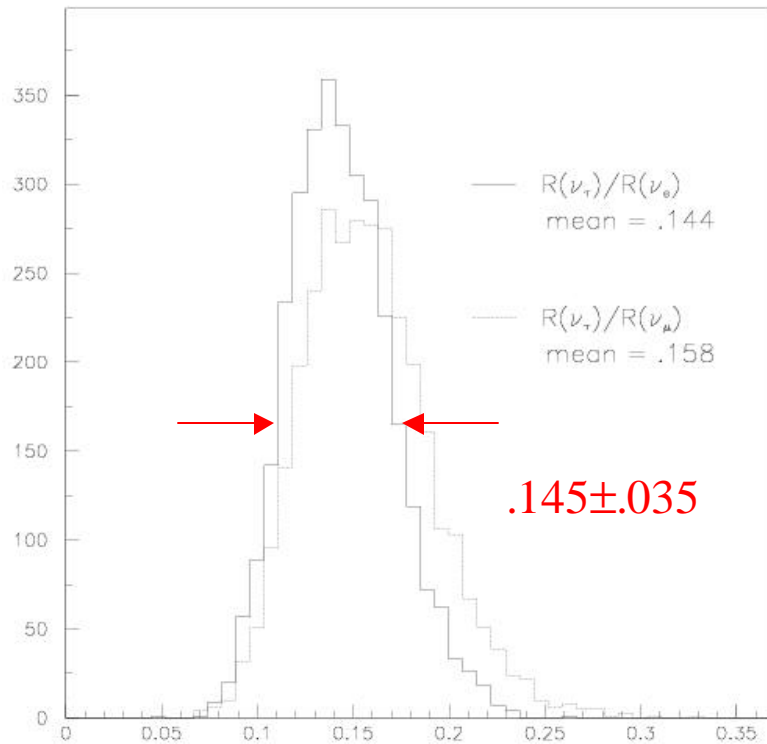
 D_s branching fraction

$D_s \quad \nu_\tau$	BR %
CLEO	6.6 ± 1.1
WA 75	5.6 ± 1.7
BES	9.7 ± 3.8
E653	6.6 ± 1.0
L3	7.1 ± 1.9
DELPHI	7.6 ± 1.1
Mean	6.6 ± 0.6

Charm branching fractions (PDG)

Decay	BR %
$D^+ \quad \nu_e$	17.2 ± 1.9
$D^0 \quad \nu_e$	$6.75 \pm .29$
$D_s \quad \nu_e$	8 ± 5
$D^+ \quad \nu_\mu$	16 ± 3
$D^0 \quad \nu_\mu$	6.6 ± 0.8
$D_s \quad \nu_\mu$	8 ± 5

Interaction rate ratio



One MC trial

1. Produce charm using selected ratios
2. Simulate neutrino production through charm decay
3. Find fraction of produced neutrinos passing through detector weighted by interaction cross-section.
4. Repeat 2-4 until 10,000 ν_τ produced

- 10,000 trials with 10,000 ν_τ each
- Varying all inputs by uncertainty
- Interaction probability weighted by cross-section of generated neutrino

Interaction background

Calculate # by material :

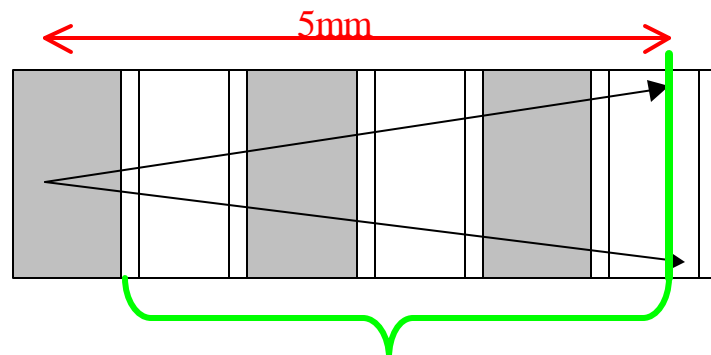
$$N_{\text{interaction}} = N_{\text{Fe}} + N_{\text{base}} + N_{\text{emul}}$$

$$N_{\text{int}} = L \lambda P_{\text{ll}}$$

λ mean free path for single charge interaction (kink type) which pass tau selection cuts : $pt > 250 \text{ MeV}$ & $\text{momentum} > 1 \text{ GeV}$

P_{ll} probability of no lepton being found = $F_{\text{NC}} + F_{\mu\text{CC}} * (1 - \epsilon_{\mu}) + F_{e\text{CC}} * (1 - \epsilon_e)$
calculated from Monte Carlo

L total path length of all primary particles: from data



L : Only from first segment to a total of 5mm from vertex

Path length in cm.

	ECC events	BULK events
Emulsion	28.0	105.5
Plastic	74.7	14.1
Fe	131.7	-

(203 data set)

Mean free path of interaction : CHARON experiment

CHARON measured pion interaction in emulsion stacks: 2, 3, and 5 GeV pions

$p_t > 250 \text{ MeV/c}$

λ of white star kinks WSK

λ of gray star kinks GSK (low activity interaction \rightarrow ECC background)

Results for emulsion can be *scaled* for Fe and plastic:

composite material has mean free path $I_j^{-1} = N_A \cdot \sum_i w_i \cdot S_i \cdot A_i^{-1}$

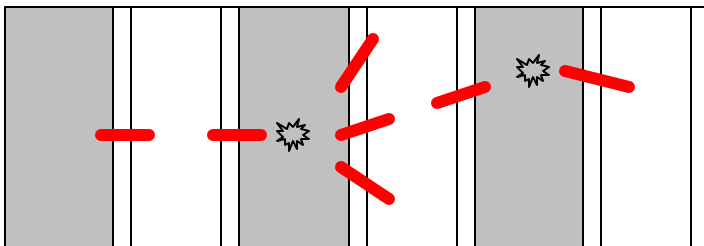
cross-section has nuclear dependence of $\sigma \propto A^\alpha$, $\alpha = .71$

$$\frac{MFP_J}{MFP_{Emul}} = \frac{\mathbf{r}_{Emul} \cdot \sum_i^{Emul} w_i \cdot A_i^{1-a}}{\mathbf{r}_J \cdot \sum_i^J w_i \cdot A_i^{1-a}}$$

	2GeV/c	3GeV/c	5GeV/c	E872
WSK bulk	134 ± 90	47 ± 16	49 ± 18	60 ± 25
GSK bulk	14 ± 4	27 ± 9	23 ± 13	20 ± 9
WSK scaled to Fe				29 ± 13
GSK scaled to Fe				9.6 ± 4.3
WSK scaled to lucite				117 ± 54
GSK scaled to lucite				39 ± 18

Mean free path of interaction : MC

1. Primary hadrons from a LEPTO simulation of neutrino interactions are propagated through an EC800 emulsion stack to simulate emulsion record.
 Momentum is smeared by $\Delta p/p = 30\%$
 Track segment recorded if particle traverses entire 100μ of emulsion
2. Kinks satisfying the tau selection cuts are chosen.
 only “kink type” interactions & p_t , momentum, max. angle cuts
3. $\lambda = \text{number of kinks seen} / \text{total path length simulated}$



Kink is counted *iff* 1 segment is visible in downstream side.

	Steel	Lucite
\int Path length	11.3 km	11.5 km
# kinks	1473	463
λ	7.7 m	24.8 m
λ_{total} CHARON (wsk + gsk)	7.2 m	30 m

Interaction background results

$$N_{\text{int}} = L \lambda^{-1} P_{\text{II}}$$

$$P_{\text{II}} = F_{\text{NC}} + F_{\mu\text{CC}} * (1 - \epsilon_{\mu}) + F_{\text{eCC}} * (1 - \epsilon_{\text{e}}) \text{ from Monte Carlo} \quad \sim .48$$

BULK CHARON result for WSK only: $\lambda = 60 \pm 25 \text{ m}$

ECC λ_{plastic} for ECC 800 is lower limit for ECC200: low energy fragments which identify GSK are more likely to be recorded in emulsion in ECC200

$$\lambda_{\text{plastic}} \text{ MC} = 24.8 \text{ m}$$

λ_{Fe} is identical for ECC800 and ECC200

$$\lambda_{\text{Fe}} \text{ MC} = 7.7 \text{ m}$$

$$N_{\text{bulk}} = (1.33 \text{ m}) (1/60 \text{ m}) (.48) = .010$$

$$N_{\text{plastic}} = (.747 \text{ m}) (1/24.8 \text{ m}) (.48) = .014$$

$$N_{\text{steel}} = (1.32 \text{ m}) (1/7.7) (.48) = .082$$

$$N_{\text{interaction}} = .106$$